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SUBJECT: CORPS OF ENGINEERS (COE) ASSISTANCE TO SAG PUBLIC
WORKS DEPARTMENT

1. IN RESPONSE TO SAG REQUESTS FOR COE ASSISTANCE (REFLECTED IN FEBRUARY 27 JOINT COMMUNIQUE), DOD IS PREPARED TO SEND 4 MAN COE TEAM TO SAUDI ARABIA FOR APPROXIMATELY 4 WEEKS. TEAM LEADER WOULD BE DRAWN FROM COE MEDITERRANEAN HEADQUARTERS IN ITALY; OTHER MEMBERS WOULD BE DRAWN FROM COE CONTINGENT NOW IN SAUDI ARABIA. OBJECTIVE OF TEAM WOULD
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BE TO ASSESS IN SPECIFIC TERMS SAUDI REQUIREMENTS FOR US

ARMY COE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THEIR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.

2. TOTAL COST TO SAG WILL BE DOLLARS 13,000. THIS FIGURE COVERS SALARIES, TRAVEL AND PER DIEM. TEAM CAN BEGIN WORK IN SAUDI ARABIA 30 DAYS AFTER SAG FUNDS ARE DEPOSITED IN U.S. TREASURY.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY ASCERTAIN SAG REACTION TO THE PROPOSAL. IF APPROVED, REQUEST SAG FORWARD A CHECK FOR DOLLARS 13,000, VIA THE EMBASSY, TO DEPUTY FOR SAUDI ARABIAN AFFAIRS, TREASURY. CHECK SHOULD BE EARMARKED FOR SAUDI ARABIAN TECHNICAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT TRUST

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ACCOUNT NO. 20X6423. THIS ARRANGEMENT CONSTITUTES AN INTERIM PROCEDURE, UNTIL TRUST ACCOUNT OPERATING GUIDELINES CAN BE AGREED UPON (A SUBJECT OF FORTHCOMING TREASURY TEAM VISIT). INGERSOLL

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